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In compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 41.31(a)(1), Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated October 24, 2006, of the Examiner rejecting claims 1-20 of the above-identified patent application.

No extension of time is necessary to respond to the Examiner's rejection.

Please charge the amount of \$500.00 in payment of the Notice of Appeal fee under 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(1), as well as any additional required fees, to Deposit Account No. 19-0743.

A Pre-Appeal Brief Request for Review is submitted herewith.

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